

REMARKS

The Official Action of 18 August 2005 has been carefully considered and reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

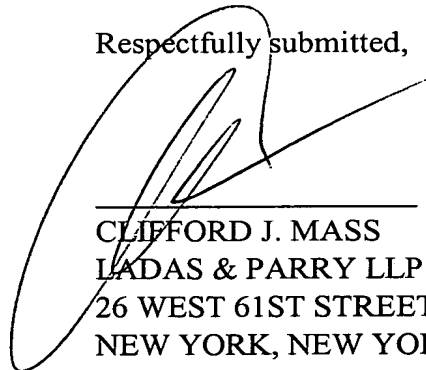
The title of the invention has been amended as requested by the Examiner on page 2 of the Official Action to make it more descriptive. Claim 12 has been amended with the incorporation of recitations formerly in claims 13 and 14, and the latter claims have been canceled. The recitation that the process results in proliferative and differentiating activity of the recited cells draws support from the specification as filed at, for example, paragraphs [0006], [0016] and [0021].

The subject matter in the claims as amended were not subject to the rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, for alleged lack of enablement appearing on pages 2-3 of the Official Action. Indeed, the Examiner acknowledged that the specification is enabling for the recited AR42J cells. Accordingly, this rejection should be withdrawn.

The amendment to the claims is also respectfully believed to remove the bases for the rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph appearing at page 3 of the Official Action. All claims as amended are respectfully considered to be sufficiently definite to satisfy the dictates of 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all rejections and objections of record have been overcome and that the application is now in allowable form. An early notice of allowance is earnestly solicited and is believed to be fully warranted.

Respectfully submitted,

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